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DIRECTOR

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STATEMENT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY.

To the Legislature of the State of Mississippi:

This year completes the first six years of the Department of Archives and History and of the administration of the Department by Hon. Dunbar Rowland, the Director.

During this time most important work has been done; valuable historical records and other materials have been taken from neglected piles of rubbish and assigned their proper place in our State's history; the documentary history has been brought to public notice; prominent attention has been given to the gathering of Confederate rosters and the publication of Mississippi's military history; an admirable Official and Statistical Register was published in 1904 and the materials are now in readiness for the next similar publication, required by law. A most valuable State Historical Museum has been established, which consists of portraits of distinguished Mississippians, autograph letters, and interesting war relics—which is a source of pride to our citizens, and a patent appeal to patriotism. The important events of territorial history have been gathered, systematized, published and thus made accessible. A systematic study of the manuscript sources of Mississippi provincial history has been made by the Director in London, Paris and Seville and transcripts of them have been brought to the Department.

In these ways, and many others the Director, Hon. Dunbar Rowland, has conducted the work of the Department with conspicuous success.

We desire to express our high appreciation of the very valuable work performed. He has labored assiduously and has displayed not only unusual energy but good judgment and fine discrimination. Far more has been accomplished than the most sanguine friends of the Department, in the beginning, thought possible. The work has won the admiration and praise of other distinguished men engaged in historical work.

We trust the next Legislature will provide larger facilities for continued improvement; that much larger appropriations will be

made for the prosecution of the work of the Department, which we regard as of the widest interest to the people of this State and of inestimable value in the preservation of our important historical materials and placing the history of Mississippi fairly before the world. We therefore urge, in view of the magnitude of this work in its many and diversified phases, that the appropriations be much enlarged over former appropriations.

We would further recommend and urge that, in view of the Director's excellent ability and valuable services, the salary be made three thousand dollars (\$3,000) per year.

Yours very respectfully,

STEPHEN D. LEE,
CHARLES B. GALLOWAY,
ROBERT B. FULTON,
EDWARD MAYES,
R. W. JONES,
J. R. PRESTON,
J. M. WHITE,
F. L. RILEY,
G. H. BRUNSON,

Trustees Department of Archives and History.

JACKSON, MISS., Nov. 1, 1907.

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BY DUNBAR ROWLAND.

DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY,
JACKSON, MISS., October 1, 1907.

To General Stephen D. Lee, Bishop Charles B. Galloway, Dr. R. B. Fulton, Dr. R. W. Jones, Dr. Edward Mayes, Prof. J. R. Preston, Dr. Franklin L. Riley, Prof. J. M. White and Prof. G. H. Brunson, Trustees of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History:

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to submit my administrative and financial report as Director of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1907.

The last report of the Department was quite full, and included a somewhat detailed statement of the historical work of the State from its beginning in March, 1902, to October 1, 1906. It also contained a complete account of the progress and development of an elaborate plan for the collection and publication of the original manuscript sources of Mississippi history in foreign archives. This closing year of the first term of six years, in which the Department has been engaged in its work, is an appropriate time for a somewhat general discussion of plans for the future. In addition, the present report may be properly confined to the usual statement of the activities of the past year.

Meeting of Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History met, on call of the President, in the Hall of History, Tuesday, October 23, 1906, with the following members present: Gen. Stephen D. Lee, Bishop Charles B. Galloway, Dr. R. W. Jones, Dr. R. B. Fulton, Dr. Franklin L. Riley, Prof. J. M. White, Prof. G. H. Brunson and Prof. J. R. Preston.

The rules and regulations which govern the Department provide that the annual meeting shall be held in the first week in October; by order of the President it was postponed to give the Director ample time for the preparation of his annual report. The Board was called to order by the President, Gen. Stephen D. Lee, after which the following proceedings were had, to wit:

On motion of Prof. White, the annual administrative and financial report of the Director was submitted. After the reading of the report, Bishop Galloway offered the following resolutions and moved their adoption:

WHEREAS, The Fifth Annual Report of the Director of the Department of Archives and History, submitted to this Board, is of unusual historical interest to the State of Mississippi, as well as to the entire country, in that it contains the results of a full and scholarly study of the sources of Mississippi provincial history in foreign archives; therefore, be it

Resolved, First. That the thanks of this Board be extended to the Director for the faithful, diligent and successful discharge of duty in the prosecution of a pioneer historical undertaking of great value to the State of Mississippi.

Second. That the general efficiency of the Director in the administration of an important public trust, as shown especially in the preparation and publication of the Official and Statistical Register of Mississippi, the Territorial Archives of Mississippi, the Annual Reports of the Department, in the preservation and classification of the priceless archives of the State, in the material aid extended to other States in establishing Historical Departments, and in the development of a wholesome and enthusiastic public interest in the history of Mississippi, are hereby approved and commended by this Board.

Third. That these resolutions expressing the approval of this Board be recorded in its minutes.

The resolutions as offered by Bishop Galloway were then adopted.

In order that more time be given for the preparation of the annual report of the Department, the annual meeting was changed from the first week in October to the first week in November, 1907, on a day to be fixed by the President.

DUNBAR ROWLAND,
Secretary.

STEPHEN D. LEE,
President.

Cuban Archives Relating to Mississippi History.

During the progress of the investigation of Spanish archives concerning Mississippi history, I ascertained that in the general removal of the archives of Cuba to Spain in 1888 and 1889 quite a collection of valuable Mississippi material was still deposited in the archives of Havana. During the latter part of December and the first week in January I visited Havana and took advantage of the opportunity to make such searches as my limited time afforded. The results obtained were encouraging, and there is every reason to believe that this interesting field will afford a profitable subject for future investigation, as supplemental to the work which is being done in the Archives of the Indies in Seville.

The documents in Havana concerning Mississippi history are deposited in the Archivo Nacional, which is a general depository of documentary material for the Island of Cuba.

Before leaving Jackson I had secured, through the courtesy of Secretary Elihu Root, Dr. J. Franklin Jameson, Director of the Department of Historical Research of the Carnegie Institution, and Mr. Luis Marino Perez of the Carnegie Institution, letters of introduction to Governor Magoon, Minister Morgan, and Senor Jose D. Payo and Senor Julio Ponce De Leon, Director and Assistant Director of the Archivo Nacional, which very materially facilitated my investigation. The thanks of the Department are due these courteous and obliging gentlemen for the aid so generously extended.

When the Spanish Government decided upon the cession of East and West Florida to the United States, the archives of Louisiana and the Floridas were removed to Havana, about 1819, although the treaty stipulated that the documents relating to the property and sovereignty of the provinces should be delivered to the Government of the United States. All these documents are of the first importance to students of Spanish dominion in the Gulf States.

The documents remaining in the Havana archives, which are of interest to us, have been designated as follows:

East Florida, general, 1737-1799; Ecclesiastical history, 1696-1786; Louisiana and West Florida, general, 1765-1818;

Ecclesiastical history, 1771-1803-1824; East and West Florida, general, 1805-1821.

I noted in going through the collection, reports and letters from Galvez, Mero, Morales, Maxent, Panton, Carondelet, McGillevray, Gayoso, Wilkinson and many others who were prominent during the Spanish occupation of Mississippi.

Transcripts of English Archives.

In treating fully of this subject in the last report, it was stated that the first installment of transcripts of English archives from the Public Record Office, London, was expected to arrive in November. That expectation was realized, and the first installment of these very valuable transcripts was received during that month. The volumes have been coming in regularly at intervals of about six weeks since that time and there are now eight on file in the Department. These have been designated and numbered just as they appear in the Record Office, and are listed as follows:

PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE, WAR OFFICE, SECRETARY OF STATE, ORIGINAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Volume 15, Military papers of Major Robert Farmer (1763).

PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE, BOARD OF TRADE, PLANTATIONS GENERAL, AMERICA AND WEST INDIES.

Vol.

- 252. 1763-65. Original papers. Letters and enclosures to the Secretary of State from Major Farmer and Governor Johnstone.
- 253. 1765-66. Original papers. Letters and enclosures to the Secretary of State from Governor Johnstone and Lieutenant-Governor Browne.
- 254. 1766-67. Original papers. Letters and enclosures to the Secretary of State from Governor Johnstone and Lieutenant-Governor Browne.
- 255. 1767-68. Original papers. Letters and enclosures to the Secretary of State from Lieutenant-Governor Browne and Governor Eliot.
- 256. 1768-69. Original papers. Letters and enclosures to the Secretary of State from Lieutenant-Governor Browne and Governor Eliot.

Vol.

257. 1769-70. Original papers. Letters and enclosures to the Secretary of State from Lieutenant-Governor Browne and Lieutenant-Governor Durnford.
258. 1770-71. Original papers. Letters and enclosures to the Secretary of State from Governor Chester.

These important volumes deal fully with the first seven years of the English occupation of the Province of West Florida, which includes that portion of the present State of Mississippi lying to the South of the mouth of the Yazoo River. In view of the description of the contents of these fundamentals of Mississippi history, which was given in the last report, it is unnecessary to again go over that ground.

French Archives.

The transcription of French archives, which was contracted for during my visit to Paris, has been delayed by the sad and much deplored death of M. Victor Tantet, archivist of the Ministry of the Marine. In view of the fact that the work of transcription was to have been done under the immediate direction and supervision of M. Tantet, it has been necessary to secure the permission and co-operation of his successor. Fortunately for this work, the Department of Historical Research of the Carnegie Institution now has a representative in Paris engaged in an investigation of the entire field of French archives relating to American history, and through the courtesy and cordial co-operation of Dr. J. Franklin Jameson, the scholarly Director of the Department, I shall be able to make another arrangement. The Department is now in correspondence with Mr. Waldo G. Leland, the representative of the Carnegie Institution, and he has been authorized to contract for the work of transcription on the best terms obtainable. The correspondence with Dr. Jameson and Mr. Leland, on this important subject, is included in this report in order that it may be preserved in printed form:

CARNEGIE INSTITUTION OF WASHINGTON,

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 16, 1907.

Dear Mr. Rowland: As perhaps you may already know, two of our expeditions to foreign archives are planned to begin next June. Mr.

W. G. Leland, of this office, one of the authors of its book on the Archives of the Government of the United States in Washington, will go to Paris to spend a year in the preparation of a Guide to the Materials for American History in the Archives of Paris. He will have valuable aid from the historical agents of the Canadian Government and from our diplomatic representative in Paris. I believe that he will make a more thorough, all-around survey of the French archives in their entirety, than perhaps any American student has had the opportunity of making before.

At the same time Professor Herbert E. Bolton, of the University of Texas, will go to Mexico for a similar year's work. Since, however, he has labored already at various times a good many months in the archives, of the City of Mexico, his researches for the purpose named, and also the book which he will produce, are not expected to be limited to the capital city, but to extend likewise over the provincial repositories of documentary material.

In both cases the fullest benefits to American historical scholars, which may be expected from such expeditions, will not be available until the resulting reports have been brought out in print. Yet it seems to me quite possible for these historical departments or historical societies situated in regions once French to avail themselves earlier, by special arrangements, of such benefits as may be expected to come to them from these investigations. Without seriously trenching upon the valuable time which they must devote to the work outlined by this office, both of these gentlemen could, as they proceeded through masses of papers, signalize those which were important to the history of any State for which they were asked to keep a lookout, and cause copyists to proceed at once to the transcribing of such.

I have therefore thought that I might propose to gentlemen who were in a position to do so, that they should in some form provide the means by which such supplementary labors of calendaring and transcription for such purposes might be early set on foot. I write to you first of all among these, because I know that especially in the case of Paris, you are interested to profit as early as possible by the searches which we may make. I should be very glad to have, at your earliest convenience, your views upon the mode by which such co-operation can best be worked out, for I am, of course, not at all familiar with the financial system under which your department operates. The other part of the matter, the engaging of proper clerical assistants in Paris, will present no difficulties to Mr. Leland, in view of the relations which we have to the Canadian agent, a gentleman long familiar with such matters in Paris. If such a scheme of co-operation can be instituted with Mississippi and other States I will cause the Secretary of State to include the necessary instructions to our ambassador in the letter which he has promised to write upon the general subject. I should be glad to hear from you soon about this whole matter, especially because I do not propose to write to others until I have heard from you. I should be glad if, when writing, you would give me any suggestions that occur to you with regard to a similar arrange-

ment with Mr. Owen, and any information you have as to whether the situation in Louisiana is getting into such shape that anything could be done there.

Believe me, with the kindest regards,

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. F. JAMESON.

Honorable Dunbar Rowland,

Department of Archives and History,

Jackson, Mississippi.

DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY,

JACKSON, MISS., April 21, 1907.

Dear Dr. Jameson: It is very gratifying to know through your letter of April 16th, that you have perfected your plans for a careful examination of the archives of France and Mexico, for the purpose of locating and calendaring the documentary materials for American history. I had received notice of this very useful undertaking from the last number of the "American Historical Review," and had been advised of your purpose to undertake such work in the conversation we had in London last summer.

As you of course know, I am especially delighted that this work, which is so necessary to the history of the Mississippi Valley and to the lower South, is in such capable hands.

I note with interest your suggestion that the States which are to be benefited by these investigations should, if possible to do so, avail themselves, as the work progresses, of the opportunity of securing transcripts of material essential to their history.

The work of securing transcripts of archives, in English and French repositories, relating to Mississippi history, was inaugurated last summer during my trip to London and Paris, and has since proceeded with satisfactory progress. The situation of the work in London is this: Last summer I designated the series of documents to be copied and three volumes of transcripts have been received. The materials upon which my work is being done have been officially designated as "War Office," "Secretary of State, Volume 15, and America and West Indies, beginning at Volume 252 and extending through Volume 267". These documents fully cover the English occupation of West Florida from 1763 to 1781.

In Paris all documents included in "Correspondence Generale Louisiane," concerning Mississippi, have been carefully calendared, and the work of transcribing will begin about June 1st, under the personal supervision of Monsieur Victor Tantet, Director of Archives, Ministry of the Marine. These calendars will appear as an appendix to the Fifth Annual Report of this department.

Our appropriation for transcripts is \$1,000, and I have contracted for the expenditure of the entire amount. I am inclined to think that Ala-

bama, Arkansas, Texas, and possibly Louisiana are in a position to avail themselves of the benefits of Mr. Leland's investigations. Dr. Owen was treated very handsomely at the recent session of the Legislature of his State, and there is doubtless a fund in Texas and Arkansas which could be used.

I should like very much to avail myself of the benefits of the work done by Mr. Leland in the Bibliothèque Nationale, and in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, where I made no investigations, but my appropriation will not allow the necessary expenditure. Under our system of appropriations the specific object for which each amount must be used is designated, hence there can be no interchange of funds. It will take several years for us to complete the work already mapped out.

I regard your plan of State co-operation with the Department of Historical Research in the important work which it has undertaken as most desirable. If it can be worked out, even in a small way in the beginning, I feel sure that it would lead to large results in the future. I shall regard it as a great pleasure to be able to assist you in creating an interest in your plans in the States of the South which are included in the French and Spanish occupation.

I am making my arrangements to be in Washington some time between May 15th and June 1st, and I hope that I shall have the honor of conferring with you. I shall also be glad to talk to Mr. Leland about the situation in Paris.

With highest regards and best wishes, I am

Yours very sincerely,

(Signed) DUNBAR ROWLAND.

Dr. J. F. Jameson,

Department of Historical Research,
Washington, D. C.

CARNEGIE INSTITUTION OF WASHINGTON,
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 25, 1907.

My Dear Mr. Rowland: Thank you for your letter of April 21. It will evidently be in limited ways only that we can at present be of use to your Parisian researches. If, however, there is anything that Mr. Leland can do I am sure that he will be glad to do whatever you wish, and I shall be glad to have him do so. I have to admit that at the Bibliothèque Nationale he will pursue about the same course which Professor Andrews pursued in the British Museum, namely to make an itemized list of all documents relating to the history of the United States and Canada. Listing is the only mode in the case of collections which result from casual accumulation by purchase or gift, for such summary descriptions as can be made in the case of long chronological series are inapplicable in the case of a library. Therefore I feel sure that Mr. Leland's items will be covered in the case of the Bibliothèque Nationale. The archives of all the ministries will be examined. Of course one cannot say when the results of

the mission will be available in print. But I do not need to say that we shall always be glad to place at your service in advance anything which relates to your work.

It is a pleasure to know that we have the prospect of seeing you in the latter part of next month. Mr. Leland will be here on the fifteenth, though perhaps before the end of the month he will have gone to New York.

Believe me, with the kindest regards,

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. F. Jameson.

Dunbar Rowland, Esq., LL.D.,

Director of the Department of Archives and History,
Jackson, Mississippi.

48bis, RUE RAYNOUARD,

PARIS, XVI, August 8, 1907.

Dear Mr. Rowland: Dr. Jameson wrote some time ago enclosing your letter respecting the copying that was being attended to by M. Tantet at the time of his most unhappy demise, and I have received the copy of the report containing your suggestions respecting the selection of documents and the calendar in which the items that you wished copied are checked. I have not yet been able to communicate with the Secretary of M. Tantet, for I have not yet been able to ascertain his name and address. As soon as possible, however, I shall do so and will let you know the results of my interview. I suppose that the arrangements you made can continue unless the situation is such as to make that impossible. At any rate I will see what can be done, and in case any radical change seems to be desirable I will await your instructions before making it.

I see that you stopped at the Hotel de Calais while here, and suppose that you found it as comfortable and pleasant a place as we did. We are now in an apartment at Passy, a few steps from the site of Franklin's villa. We have a fine view over the river and the city and consider ourselves very fortunately located. My work here promises to be most interesting and I sincerely trust that it may prove to be useful to historical interests in America. In order that it may be so, so far at least as Mississippi is concerned, I beg that you will command me at all times and upon all occasions when it seems in the least probable that I can do anything for you. In the meantime believe me to be

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) W. G. LELAND.

DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY,
JACKSON, MISS., October 2, 1907.

My Dear Mr. Leland: I very much appreciate the interest which you are taking in my efforts to secure transcripts of French archives concerning Mississippi history. The very unfortunate death of M. Tantet has, of course, greatly delayed the work. The calendar which I sent you through Dr. Jameson was prepared by the Secretary of M. Tantet, who I suppose still retains his position with the Ministry of the Marine. The work which he has already done should be very helpful, as it enables him to be fully advised as to what is wanted. In the event that you cannot arrange with the Secretary I wish to give you authority to make another arrangement without waiting for my further approval. I am delighted to hear that you are so happily situated in Paris, and I feel sure that you will avail yourself of the great opportunities which you have.

With best wishes for the success of your very important undertaking, I am

Yours very sincerely,

(Signed) DUNBAR ROWLAND,
Director.

Transcripts of Spanish Archives.

When it was ascertained that the work of transcribing the French archives, relating to Mississippi history would be delayed, I at once applied to Don Pedro Torres Lanzas, Director of the Archives of the Indies, at Seville, for permission to have searches instituted and transcripts made of the Archives of Louisiana and West Florida. The correspondence with Senor Jose Gonzales, the Assistant Director, follows:

DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY,
JACKSON, MISS., June 25, 1907

D. PEDRO TORRES LANZAS, Director Archives of the Indies, Seville, Spain

My Dear Sir: The Mississippi Department of Archives and History desires to secure transcripts of those documents of Louisiana and West Florida in your possession which relate to the Spanish occupation of what is now the State of Mississippi from 1779 to 1813. (A part of the State was evacuated by the Spanish in 1798 and a part in 1813.) In order that you may understand the kind of documents wanted I have prepared for your use, in a separate paper, a detailed description, which I trust will be sufficiently clear and explicit.

In the prosecution of the work I should like very much to have it confined strictly to the subjects and matters indicated.

It is desirable also that the work of transcribing should proceed as soon as the necessary preliminaries are arranged. I shall take pleasure in making prompt payments on delivery with bill attached.

Dr. W. R. Shepherd, who was with you some years ago making investigations in the Spanish archives, as dealing with the history of the United States, has written me many nice things of your zeal and efficiency in aiding students of American history.

I should be pleased to have my work done by D. Jose Gonzales Verger, under your personal supervision. I regret very much that I am unable to conduct this correspondence in the language of your great country, and trust that we shall have no difficulty in arranging the matter. I shall appreciate very much if we can make all preliminary arrangements without delay, as it is very desirable that the work proceed as soon as possible.

Permit me to assure you that I agree in advance to all reasonable regulations and charges, and as soon as I shall have the honor of hearing from you final arrangements will be made at once.

I have the honor to be, my dear sir,

Yours very truly,

(Signed) DUNBAR ROWLAND,

Director Mississippi Department of Archives and History.

Archives of the Indies. Louisiana and West Florida.

Suggestions for making an investigation of documentary historical material of Louisiana and West Florida, concerning the State of Mississippi, United States of America, deposited in the Archives of the Indies at Seville, Spain.

1. The investigation should cover that period of time extending from 1779 to 1798-1813 (a part of our State being evacuated in 1798 and part in 1813) or from the beginning to the end of the Spanish occupation. It will also be well to include a period of two years immediately preceding the military operations of Galvez in order that full details may be obtained.

2. Papers in general relating to Biloxi, Natchez, Mobile, Pass Christian, Fort Charlotte, Dauphine Island, Baton Rouge, Los Nogales or Walnut Hills, Manschac, Fort St. Louis, Yazoo and Fort Tombeche, as well as to any sort of settlement on the east bank of the Mississippi River, or in the territory included between the river, 31 and 35 degrees north latitude, and east to the Chattahoochee River.

3. Correspondence of the officers commanding at the posts designated in No. 2, including correspondence or instructions to them from the Captain-General or from the home government; papers from or to Callett, Treveno, Miro, Piernas, Dauligny, Grand Pre, Gayoso de Lemos, Espeleta, Folch, Lanzas and Minor, etc.; and the correspondence of the several governors of Louisiana and West Florida, including O'Reilly, Unzaga, DeLa Torre, Galvez, Miro, Carondelet and Casa Calvo.

4. Papers covering the surrounding Indian tribes in any way, such as treaties and trade with; purchase of land from and bestowal of presents on, including Creeks, also written Cricks and Crekes; Talapuches; Chicachas, also written Chicachas and Chicasas; Choctas, etc., also all correspondence and dealings of Alejandro McGillivray, Bowles and other representatives of the Indians in their relations with the Spaniards and the Americans, so far as the scene of such dealings was laid in the territory described in No. 2.

5. Papers dealing with explorations by land or water, especially of such rivers as the Mississippi, from the mouth to 35 degrees north; the Pearl, Iberville, Yazoo, Mobile, Tombecbe, St. Catherine, Homochitto and Big Black, also the coast of the Gulf of Mexico, being now the southern coast of Mississippi and Alabama, also the interior to the north between the Mississippi River on the west, the Chattahoochie River on the east and the 35th degree of latitude on the north.

6. Papers relating to the boundaries of Louisiana and West Florida and to the Boundary Commission (Commission de Limites.)

7. Maps of any part of the coast or rivers, posts, forts, settlements or boundaries of the territory described in No. 5.

8. Land grants in the same territory described in No. 5; giving only grantor, grantee, where situated and quantity of land granted.

9. Descriptions of the country by traders, explorers, hunters, trappers, or others passing through the territory under consideration.

10. Orders, proclamations or letters from the home government relative to the exploration, settlement and regulation of the territory.

ARCHIVES OF THE INDIES,
SEVILLE, July 16, 1907.

Have received your letter of June 27 on the copying of documents of Louisiana and West Florida during the Spanish rule, which are desired for the State Archives of Mississippi.

The subject is of great importance because there are here many interesting documents, especially those which came from Havana in 1887—neither copied nor studied by any one—only Mr. Shepherd saw some, and I have made some researches for the State of Missouri.

I at once accept with pleasure this task, which I will begin from to-day that the copies as desired may be had promptly. These papers have not been well classified, and consequently will demand much time and labor to arrange them for copying, for this task I will begin without interruption to send copies of what may be met of interest, and if you wish I can send list of papers from which you decide what should be copied when in my judgment they may not be interesting.

The conditions of this work will be the same which I gave to Mr. Louis Houch, of Cape Girardeau and Mr. Jas. A. Robertson, of Madison, in the work which I did for the State of Missouri, which were one hundred pesetas monthly for the direction, search of documents, classification and collation of copies, and two pesetas for each sheet of copy and the paper which is used.

As these are the conditions customary here and which you have accepted, I believe they will seem good to you, and for this immediately I begin the labor.

Monthly will be sent to you a remittance of copies, with bill, and permit me only to state that as those who dedicate themselves to copying are persons who cannot wait long to receive what is due for their labor, it is also customary to remit some sum to pay for the copies and to settle the value of each remittance with the money, as required.

I take this opportunity of offering you, etc., etc.,

(Signed) JOSE GONZALES VERGER.

I have also copyists who write on a machine: these copies are worth four pesetas.

A satisfactory arrangement was made with Senor Gonzales and the prosecution of the work of locating and transcribing the desired documents was begun at once; and the first consignment of transcripts was received during the month of August.

Owing to the unclassified condition of the Spanish archives, in which the State of Mississippi is interested, the cost of procuring transcripts is somewhat greater than in England and France. The actual cost of transcribing is about the same, but

the additional cost arises from the necessity of making laborious searches, in order that the work may be confined to documents which are of special value to Mississippi history. The transcription of archives has been limited to that character of records, which will result in quite a saving of funds to the Department.

Three volumes of transcripts of Spanish archives have been received and are now on file as permanent historical records. These, added to the Spanish archives of the Natchez District, will, when completed, be a most satisfactory collection of source materials on the Spanish occupation.

Publication of Documentary History of English Occupation.

In previous reports the publication plans of the Department relating to the documentary history of the State have been submitted. It will be recalled that these publications have been divided into three divisions dealing with the three great historical periods of the State, that is, (1) archives covering the provincial period; (2) archives covering the territorial period; (3) archives covering the State period. The first volume of this series was published in 1905 under the title "Mississippi Territorial Archives, 1798-1803." It will also be recalled that the reason for beginning the publication of historical sources with the archives of the territorial period was that the documents dealing with the first, or provincial, period were not, at that time, available. Since that time the archives of the provincial period have been partially collected, and the next publication will be the initial volume of the provincial series. The first volume of "Mississippi Provincial Archives, English Dominion" is now in course of preparation, and it is expected that it will be ready for publication during the summer of 1908.

Official and Statistical Register, 1908.

One of the most important of the Department's activities during the past year has been the preparation of the "Mississippi Official and Statistical Register" for 1908. It is provided that this volume shall be issued every four years, and it has been the policy of the Department to begin the work of preparation early

in the year in order to have the volume ready for distribution during the session of the Legislature. The greater part of the copy was forwarded to the printer in October, and the remainder will be ready by the first of December.

In the preparation of the 1908 edition of the Register much new data have been added to the permanent features, which, it is hoped, will greatly add to its historical value. These new features may be classified as:

1. A more complete outline history of the State.
2. List of members of the Territorial Legislature.
3. List of territorial officials.
4. Biographical sketches of the Governors of the Territory and the State of Mississippi with full page, half-tone likenesses of twenty-two Governors.
5. A series of valuable maps showing the territorial growth of the State.
6. A complete military history of the State, in which is given the history of the part taken by Mississippi soldiers in all military operations from 1803 to date.

It is expected that the Register for 1908 will be ready for distribution about the first of March.

Fifth Annual Report.

The last report of the Department was received from the printer in May and was at once distributed to libraries, historical societies and to the general public. The report has been of special interest to the States of the Mississippi Valley, which are all more or less interested in the French archives of the Ministry of the Marine, dealing with the Province of Louisiana, and these are calendared in the report, in so far as they deal directly with Mississippi history. It is perhaps true, that in this field, the report is a pioneer undertaking, and has opened up a promising field of investigation for the States specially interested in French explorations and settlements in the Valley of the Mississippi and the coast of the Gulf of Mexico.

Encouragement of Historical Undertakings in other States.

The Department has, during the past year, had several opportunities to be of some service in the establishment of Historical

Departments in other States. Such departments have been recently established in Virginia, North Carolina, Maine and Indiana, and in all these States the law and methods of the Mississippi Department have been substantially followed. Its reports have been used in formulating plans for the future development of the historical activities of Virginia, North Carolina, Maine and Indiana. The idea of State supported historical work has taken firm hold in the States of the Union where there has been little or no effort to preserve and publish State history. It has also been adopted in States where official archives are neglected. It has been found that by harmonious co-operation of the Historical Department and the Historical Society in the same State better work can be done by both.

In recognition of what has been done for other States by this Department, I have received the letters following:

VIRGINIA STATE LIBRARY,

DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY,

RICHMOND, VA., October 15, 1907.

DR. ROWLAND:

Dear Sir: . . . I studied the system of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History with great interest, as it is recognized as one of the foremost manuscript departments in the country. I had to outline a system of work for my department—a new creation—and I am sure that I derived a great deal of benefit from your experience. I intend in the future to keep as closely in touch with your work as possible, because I feel sure that your institution is a safe guide to follow.

Do you expect to be in Richmond any time soon? If so I hope I may have the pleasure of a visit from you. I am,

Yours very truly,

(Signed) H. J. ECKENRODE.

THE NORTH CAROLINA HISTORICAL COMMISSION,

RALEIGH, September 18, 1907.

HON. DUNBAR ROWLAND, Director Department of Archives and History,
Jackson, Miss.:

Dear Sir: A careful reading of the reports and bulletins of the Department of Archives and History of the State of Mississippi, which you at my request kindly turned to me, has been of considerable value to me both in securing proper legislation for our work and in organizing our Commission. Your work has attracted the attention of similar

historical organizations throughout the country, and in the correspondence which I have had with the heads of such departments in other States looking to the organization of our work, I have been frequently referred to your department as one of the best in the South. I congratulate you on your good work and hope that it will be my privilege at some early date to make a personal examination of your department.

With best wishes I am

Very truly yours,

(Signed) R. D. W. CONNOR.

Secretary North Carolina Historical Commission.

STATE OF MAINE, OFFICE OF STATE HISTORIAN,

TOGUS, September 18, 1907.

HON. DUNBAR ROWLAND, Director:

My Dear Sir: The Legislature of Maine early in the present year authorized the Governor to appoint a State Historian. Having received the appointment I began at once an inquiry concerning the archives of the State, their extent, condition, arrangement, etc. Finding that no attempt had been made to arrange these archives so as to make them easily accessible for the purposes of historical investigation, and impressed with the importance of collecting, arranging and preserving the materials of our State history, I turned my attention to the work that has been done in other States in this direction. In my investigations I have made myself acquainted with the valuable work that has been done in the Department of Archives and History organized by the State of Mississippi. The reports of this Department have afforded me much needed information, and I congratulate the State of Mississippi on the advanced position it occupies because of the high character of the work accomplished by this Department.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) HENRY S. BURRAGE,

State Historian.

Historical Portraits.

The appropriation of \$1,000 which was made by the last Legislature for oil portraits of deceased Governors of Mississippi, has enabled the Department to make ten valuable additions to its collection. These portraits are well executed, and were made by some of the most accomplished artists in the country. The new additions are likenesses of the following Mississippi Governors:

William C. C. Claiborne, David Holmes, Gerard C. Brandon, Hiram G. Runnels, Albert G. Brown, John I. Guion, John J.

McRae, Joseph W. Matthews, John J. Pettus and Benjamin G. Humphreys.

There are now hanging in the State Hall of Fame the portraits of twenty-two Mississippi Governors. The first portrait was received October 16, 1902, and there are now sixty-four in the collection. These, arranged as they were received, are listed as follows:

Hon. Seargent S. Prentiss, presented by his son, S. S. Prentiss, Jr., of New Orleans, La. Received October 16, 1902.

Governor Henry S. Foote, presented by his son and daughter, Hon. W. W. Foote, of San Francisco, Cal., and Mrs. Jane Foote Martin, of Oakland, Cal. Received May 9, 1903.

Hon. Jacob Thompson, presented by his granddaughter, Mrs. Kate Thompson Kirkman, of Nashville, Tenn. Received November 11, 1902.

Governor William McWillie, presented by his son, Hon. T. A. McWillie, of Jackson, Miss. Received July 4, 1903.

Governor James L. Alcorn, presented by his wife, Mrs. Amelia W. Alcorn, of Eagle's Nest, Miss. Received April 5, 1903.

Governor Charles Clark, presented by his son, Hon. Fred Clark, of Rosedale, Miss. Received March 5, 1903.

Gen. Will T. Martin, presented by his son, Judge W. C. Martin, of Natchez, Miss. Received June 4, 1903.

Judge Alexander M. Clayton, presented by his daughters, Mrs. John W. Ross, of Pensacola, Fla., and Mrs. M. L. Hull, of Holly Springs, Miss. Received December 12, 1902.

Senator Powhatan Ellis, presented by his nephew, Major Powhatan Ellis, of Richmond, Va. Received November 1, 1902.

Judge Thomas R. Stockdale, presented by his son, Thomas R. Stockdale, Jr., of Summit, Miss. Received April 5, 1903.

Governor James Whitfield, presented by his granddaughters, Mrs. E. T. Sykes and Mrs. C. N. Avers, and his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Nora Whitfield, all of Columbus, Miss. Received November 12, 1902.

Gen. Stephen D. Lee, presented by the Faculty and Alumni of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Mississippi. Received June 2, 1903.

Judge E. S. Fisher, presented by his daughters, Mrs. P. S. Phillips, of Batesville, Miss., and Mrs. A. L. Bridgers, of Cascade, Miss., and by his sons, Judge H. C. Fisher, of Austin, Texas, and A. S. Fisher, Esq., of Georgetown, Texas. Received June 30, 1903.

Col. William R. Miles, presented by his wife, Mrs. William R. Miles, of Yazoo City, Miss. Received May 5, 1903.

Judge Harry Cage, presented by his grandson, Hon. H. C. Cage, of New Orleans, La. Received June 15, 1903.

Senator Thomas B. Reed, presented by his grandson, W. S. Reed, and

by his great-grandson, I. Shelby Reed, both of Yazoo City, Miss. Received June 23, 1903.

Gen. N. H. Harris, presented by his brother, Capt. W. M. Harris, of Grace, Miss. Received May 20, 1903.

Gen. Earl Van Dorn, presented by his sister, Mrs. E. V. D. Miller, of Washington, D. C., and by his nephew, Hon. T. Marshall Miller, of New Orleans, La. Received March 5, 1903.

Judge Francis M. Rogers, presented by his daughter, Mrs. India Rogers Sykes, of Aberdeen, Miss. Received April 15, 1903.

Judge James F. Trotter, presented by his daughter, Miss Bessie Trotter, of Holly Springs, Miss. Received April 12, 1903.

Governor Alexander G. McNutt, presented by A. G. Paxton, of Hollandale, Miss. Received December 21, 1903.

Secretary Judah P. Benjamin, presented by Rabbi A. Brill, of Greenville, Miss., for the Jewish citizens of Mississippi, on the evening of the 3d of June, at the new capitol in the House of Representatives, and received by Dunbar Rowland, Director of the Department of Archives and History.

Judge Seth Lewis, presented by his descendants and relatives, T. R. Farnsworth, Memphis, Tenn.; T. H. and E. T. Lewis, Opelousas, La.; John and W. Boyle, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Amelia Lewis Watts, Miles Taylor Watts, Francis Anne Taylor and William Watts Taylor, of Cincinnati, Ohio; Anne Nugent Gibbs, Huntsville, Texas; Cecile Nugent Harris, Vicksburg, Miss.; Aimee Webb Nugent, Jackson; Sarah Vairin Baldwin, New Orleans, La.; and Nugent Beverly Vairin, of New Orleans, La. Received September 1, 1903.

Gen. Richard Griffith, presented by his son, Richard Griffith, of Jackson, Miss. Received September 1, 1903.

Governor John A. Quitman, presented by his daughter, Mrs. Rosalie Q. Duncan, of Natchez, and other daughters, granddaughters and grandsons. Received June 23, 1904.

Gen. W. F. Brantley, presented by his daughter, Mrs. J. W. Knight, of Mobile, Ala. Received January 15, 1904.

Hon. Israel Welch, presented by his sister, Miss Mary Welch, of Shuqualak, Miss. Received April 10, 1904.

Judge Henry T. Ellett, presented by his son, Dr. E. C. Ellett, of Memphis, Tenn. Received January 23, 1904.

Gen. Wirt Adams, presented by his son, Hon. Wirt Adams, of Jackson, Miss. Received August 8, 1904.

Hon. Otho R. Singleton, presented by his daughter, Mrs. Kate Singleton Smith, of Asheville, N. C. Received September 12, 1904.

Gen. W. F. Tucker, presented by his son, Dr. H. S. Tucker, of Ellisville, Miss. Received March 11, 1904.

Judge Wiley P. Harris, presented by his son, Hon. J. B. Harris, of Jackson, Miss. Received July 15, 1904.

Judge James T. Harrison, presented by his son-in-law, Gen. Stephen D. Lee, his sons, Hon. James T. and Thomas Harrison, and his grandson, Blewett Lee, Esq., of Chicago, and daughter, Miss Mary Harrison, of Columbus, Miss. Received September 12, 1904.

Senator Hernando DeSoto Money, presented by Mrs. H. D. Money, October 29, 1904.

Col. W. D. Holder, presented by his family, January 12, 1905.

President Jefferson Davis, presented by the Mississippi Division Daughters of the Confederacy, January 19, 1905.

Chancellor Charles Scott, presented by his son, Charles Scott, May 29, 1905.

Governor Robert Lowry, presented by his son, John Lowry, July 5, 1905.

Governor John M. Stone, presented December 20, 1905, by Mrs. John M. Stone.

Hon. George S. Yerger, presented January 24, 1906, by Hon. Charles Scott.

Dr. C. K. Marshall, presented January 16, 1906, by his daughter, Mrs. A. DeMoss.

Senator Jesse Speight, presented April 5, 1906, by his granddaughters, Mrs. Baxter McFarland and Mrs. Maria Speight Elkin.

Gen. Edward Cary Walthall, loaned by his adopted daughter, Mrs. John B. Ross, of Memphis, Tenn., March 18, 1907.

Judge William Yerger, presented by his descendants, June 3, 1907.

Chief Justice A. H. Whitfield, presented by his family, May 15, 1907.

The following portraits were hanging in the old Capitol when the Department began its work, and, on moving to the new Capitol, were made a part of the collections in the Hall of Fame:

Chief Justice W. L. Sharkey.

Chief Justice E. G. Peyton.

Chief Justice J. A. P. Campbell.

President Jefferson Davis.

Governor George Peindexter.

Col. Alexander K. McClung.

Governor Winthrop Sargent.

Senator L. Q. C. Lamar.

Judge C. P. Smith.

Portraits purchased by the Department:

Governor William C. C. Claiborne, received May 15, 1907.

Governor Gerard C. Brandon, received May 15, 1907.

Governor Joseph W. Matthews, received June 25, 1907.

Governor John J. Polk, received June 25, 1907.

Governor David Holmes, received July 14, 1907.

Governor John J. McRae, received July 14, 1907.

Governor John I. Gump, received August 23, 1907.

Governor Benjamin G. Humphreys, received August 23, 1907.

Governor Albert G. Porter, received October 29, 1907.

Governor Hiram G. Runkle, received October 27, 1907.

The collection of historical portraits has been re-arranged, and is in every way worthy of the State.

Historical Manuscripts, Classifying, Binding.

When original historical materials are made easily accessible to investigators, the value of such collections is very much enhanced. The classification and binding of documentary material is therefore a very important activity in historical work. The classification and binding of the official archives of the Department have been conducted with very satisfactory results since the last report. In fact a greater volume of historical material has been put in permanent form than in any previous year. This material consists of executive journals and correspondence beginning with the territorial period, laws and legislative Journals of Mississippi Territory, organic acts and constitutions, registers of appointments, correspondence of the Indian department, records of the territorial auditor and treasurer and miscellaneous collections. These priceless archives are listed as follows:

EXECUTIVE JOURNALS, TERRITORIAL.

Governor Winthrop Sargent, 1798-1801.
Governor W. C. C. Claiborne, 1801-1803.
Governor W. C. C. Claiborne, as Governor of Louisiana, 1803-1816.
Acting Governor Cato West, 1803-1805.
Governor Robert Williams, 1805-1809.

JOURNAL OF TERRITORIAL GOVERNORS AS SUPERINTENDENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, 1803-1808.

Acting Governor Thomas H. Williams, 1806.
Acting Governor Cowles Mead, 1806-1807.
Governor David Holmes, 1809-1815.

EXECUTIVE JOURNALS, STATE

Governor David Holmes, 1817-1820.
Governor George Poindexter, 1820-1822.
Governor Walter Leake, 1822-1825.
Governor Gerard C. Brandon, 1825-1826.
Governor David Holmes, 1826.
Governor Gerard C. Brandon, 1826-1832.

Beginning with 1832 there is a break of eight years, covering the administrations of Governors Scott, Lynch, Runnels, Quitman and Lynch. These journals were destroyed when the archives of the old Capitol were deposited on the floor of one of the rooms of the old penitentiary. It is fortunate, however, that the correspondence to the Governors, during this period, from 1832 to 1840, has been preserved and is quite voluminous.

Governor A. G. McNutt, 1838-1842.

Governor T. M. Tucker, 1842-1844.

Governor A. G. Brown, 1844-1848.

Governor J. W. Matthews, 1848-1850.

Governor John A. Quitman, 1850-1851.

Acting Governor John I. Guion, 1851.

Acting Governor James Whitfield, 1851-1852.

Governor Henry S. Foote, 1852-1854.

Acting Governor John J. Pettus, 1854.

Governor John J. McRae, 1854-1857.

Governor William McWillie, 1857-1859.

Governor John J. Pettus, 1859-1863.

Governor Charles Clark, 1863-1865.

Governor B. G. Humphreys, 1865-1868.

Governor Adelbert Ames, 1868-1870.

Governor J. L. Alcorn, 1870-1871.

Governor R. C. Powers, 1871-1874.

Governor Adelbert Ames, 1874-1876.

Governor John M. Stone, 1876-1882.

The executive journals of Governors Lowry, Stone, McLaurin, Longino and Vardaman are yet on file in the office of the Governor.

LEGISLATIVE JOURNALS, TERRITORIAL.

House Journals of 1803, 1804, 1813, 1814, 1815.

Council Journals of 1807, 1815, 1816.

LEGISLATIVE JOURNALS, STATE.

House Journals of 1817, 1819, 1821, 1822, 1823, 1826, 1829.

Senate Journals of 1819, 1820, 1822, 1823, 1829, 1830, 1870.

CONSTITUTIONS.

Constitutions of 1817, 1832, 1869, 1890.

SARGENT LAWS.

First Territorial Laws 1799, 1800.

All the above records in the original manuscript have been arranged and bound during the past year.

Rules Governing the Placing of Portraits in the Hall of Fame.

There has been some confusion in the public mind about the rules by which the portrait committee has been guided in placing portraits in the State's Hall of Fame, and, in order that there may be no future misunderstanding, the following rules and regulations are suggested for adoption by the Board:

1. There shall be appointed from the membership of the Board of Trustees of the Department of Archives and History, by the President of said Board, a portrait committee to consist of five members, two of whom shall be the President of the Board of Trustees and the Director of the said Department. This committee shall serve for six years, and shall have exclusive jurisdiction in all matters concerning the placing of portraits in the Mississippi Hall of Fame.

2. That only portraits in oil, of the distinguished men of Mississippi; paintings illustrating the life and history of the State, or portraits and paintings presented by the citizens of the State, or former citizens being in other States, shall be accepted by the portrait committee.

3. That portraits shall be received only when there has been a written invitation from the portrait committee, expressing the wish that the portrait of the individual named in the invitation be placed in the State's Hall of Fame.

4. That it shall be necessary before a portrait is placed in the Hall of Fame that it shall receive the approval of all members of the portrait committee.

5. That where portraits are purchased by the Department of Archives and History, the citizens to be honored shall be selected by the unanimous vote of the portrait committee before the order is placed.

Visit to Washington.

In the preparation of the military history of Mississippi which will appear in the 1908 edition of the Official and Statistical Register of the State, I found it necessary to visit Washington for the purpose of examining the military records of the Government, which are on file in the War Department, the Library of Congress and the Pension Office. These sources of information

have never been printed and can only be examined in the originals.

I also made some inquiries into the progress being made on the Roster of Officers and Enlisted Men in the Union and Confederate Armies, 1861-1865, which is being compiled by the War Department. It will be recalled that the compilation was authorized at the instance of this Department. It has always been a subject of special interest, and the progress of the work has been carefully followed. The work of compilation has been in progress four years; hundreds of men have been engaged in it, but there seems to be little hope that the actual work of publication will be undertaken very soon. The delay is somewhat disappointing to Confederate veterans, and to the people of the South generally.

The States are powerless to act for the reason that their records are incomplete. The War Department has accepted the aid of the States in making its record complete, and now declines to either allow copies to be furnished from its records, or to allow a duly accredited representative of the State to examine its rolls for historical purposes. In this connection, I give below the correspondence between Gen. F. C. Ainsworth, the Adjutant-General, and myself, which clearly indicates the policy of that official. If the policy adopted is allowed to stand it effectually bottles up and seals the records of the Department from those who are most interested in them.

On April 17, 1907, I wrote to Gen. Ainsworth requesting that the Department of Archives and History be furnished with rosters of Mississippi troops at the battle of New Orleans, in the war with Mexico, and in the Creek War of 1813, also a roster of Mississippi officers below the grade of Colonel in the Civil War. I proposed to pay all necessary charges for the work. A copy of that letter was not retained in the office, but the above is an accurate statement of the requests contained therein.

In answer to that letter, Gen. Ainsworth replied as follows:

WAR DEPARTMENT, THE ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, April 20, 1907.

HON. DUNBAR ROWLAND, Director Department of Archives and History,
Jackson, Miss.:

My Dear Sir: In response to your letter of the 17th instant, in which you express the desire to obtain rosters of Mississippi troops at the battle

of New Orleans, in the war with Mexico, and in the Creek War of 1813, also a roster of Mississippi officers below the grade of Colonel in the Civil War, I regret to say that your wish cannot be complied with. All of the available force of the clerical department is constantly employed in compiling the roster of the officers and enlisted men of the Union and Confederate Armies, which, upon its completion and publication, will afford you the information that you desire with regard to Confederate officers of the Civil War. It would seriously delay this great work to divert any portion of the force engaged upon it to the work of compiling other rosters of any kind for State or individual use, and the injurious effect of such delay would in no wise be compensated for by the additional work being paid for by those desiring it. The Department cannot permit any one except those in its own employ and legally subject to its control to handle or have access to the badly decayed records of the old wars. I think that upon reflection you will agree with me that it is both wise and necessary to enforce strictly the Department's rule that nothing shall be permitted to interfere with its efforts to complete as speedily as possible the Union and Confederate roster.

Good progress has been made in carding the Mississippi rolls of the Civil War period, but this work cannot be regarded as completed for Mississippi or any other State until the many scattered Union records that afford important information relative to Confederate officers and enlisted men shall have been carded.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) F. C. AINSWORTH,
The Adjutant-General.

The reply of the Department to that letter follows:

DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY,
JACKSON, Miss., April 25, 1907.

GEN. F. C. AINSWORTH, Adjutant-General, Washington, D. C.:

My Dear General Ainsworth: I have received your letter of April 20th. in the matter of my application for certain data in your Department concerning Mississippi soldiers at the battle of New Orleans, in the war with Mexico, in the Creek War of 1813, and in the Civil War. I regret very much that owing to the urgency of the work on the "Roster of Officers and Enlisted Men in the Union and Confederate Armies" that you cannot have this work done for me by an employe of your office, and I beg leave to suggest that, in view of the very great importance of these rolls to the State of Mississippi, some plan might be agreed upon by which you might give me access to the cards from which the desired data could be collected. I shall be in Washington for about two weeks during the latter part of May, when I could have personal charge of the undertaking.

I feel sure that you will offer me every facility in your power to enable me to bring this work to a successful conclusion. The Legislature of

Mississippi has directed this Department to prepare and publish historical sketches of the Mississippi Regiments in the above mentioned wars, and the work cannot be properly done without the co-operation of the War Department.

You will readily see that our object is not to encroach in any way upon the work which is being so thoroughly done under your supervision. In other words, it is our purpose to adopt the narrative form, which will not have any similarity to the historical roster which you are preparing.

I sincerely trust that, in view of our very hearty co-operations with you in the preparation of the Union and Confederate Roster, that you will extend us similar courtesies. You will likewise recall the very active interest which we took in the measure which resulted in your being authorized to prepare for publication the roster upon which you are engaged.

With best wishes I am

Yours very sincerely,

(Signed) DUNBAR ROWLAND,
Director.

In reply to the above, the following letter was received from Gen. Ainsworth:

WAR DEPARTMENT, THE ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, April 29, 1907.

HON. DUNBAR ROWLAND, Director Department of Archives and History,
Jackson, Miss.:

My Dear Sir: I wish I could give you a favorable answer to your letter of the 25th instant, but I cannot. It is simply out of the question to permit any one not under the control of the Department and not trained in the use of the card files to have access to those files. The danger of derangement of the system and of loss of cards through misfiling or otherwise is so great that the Department does not permit any of its own employes even, except those who are trained in the use of the card files, to handle the cards or to have access to them.

I appreciate fully the commendable spirit in which you are prosecuting the work under your charge, and shall be glad to aid you in it so far as I can do so properly, but you must bear in mind that there are many other States, and an innumerable number of historians and historical writers who are engaged in precisely the same or similar lines of work, and that to make an exception to the rules of the Department in your favor would open the door to a flood of appeals from others who would demand, and rightfully, that similar favors should be shown to them. Taking this view of the case I think you will agree with me that it is impossible for the Department to meet your wishes in this matter, and you must regard

the decision contained in my letter of the 20th instant with regard to it as final.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) F. C. AINSWORTH,
The Adjutant-General.

The answer of the Department to that letter follows:

DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY,
JACKSON, MISS., May 13, 1907.

GEN. F. C. AINSWORTH, Adjutant-General, Washington, D. C.:

My Dear Sir: I have received your letter of April 29th in response to my request, in behalf of the State of Mississippi, for certain historical data which can be obtained only from the War Department. In your letter you say: "It is simply out of the question to permit any one, not under the control of the Department, and not trained in the use of the card files, to have access to those files." This decision, of course, effectually seals these records of the War Department to all historical students throughout the country who wish to make a personal investigation.

In your letter of April 26th, upon the same subject you say, in response to my request that the desired data be furnished from original records by employees under your direction, at a proper compensation, that to detail a man to do the work (which any one could perform in three days) will "seriously delay the great work" of compiling the "Roster of Union and Confederate Soldiers."

So that your rules resolve themselves into this: We will not allow you to have access to the historical records of the War Department, neither will we furnish copies of the records in our custody for historical purposes. Suppose the various States, when they were requested to assist the War Department in collecting original rolls of soldiers of the Confederate States Army, had informed you that they could not permit outsiders to "handle or have access to the badly decayed records of the old wars." Had we done this we would have treated you as you are now treating us. So it seems that the War Department receives aid from others without extending similar courtesies.

I cannot help contrasting the rules of the Public Record Office, London, where I was last summer given the freest access to all records concerning American history, with those which are enforced in the War Department. You inform me that "you" (I) "must regard the decision contained in my letter of the 20th instant as final." I beg leave to courteously inform you that I do not regard any decision as final that deprives duly accredited investigators and historians of access to records, for historical purposes, that are in the custody of the servants of the people at Washington.

If such rules are in force in the War Department it is time for the representatives of the people to know it in order that they may have them changed. The Public Archives Commission of the American Historical

Association, of which I am a member, will doubtless take this matter before the next session of Congress; at any rate it shall be heard from.

This letter may place me out of harmony with the War Department, but the time will surely come when its records will be unsealed to those who have a right to use them.

Permit me to remind you that the provision under which you are now compiling the "Roster of Officers and Enlisted Men of the Union and Confederate Armies" was introduced by a Mississippi Senator at my request. You will, doubtless, remember also the large number of original rolls which have been sent to the War Department by this State, in order to assist you in compiling the roster.

We have sought to be guided by the true historical spirit, which has no favorites, and accords justice to all. We have a right to expect the same use of historical materials which has been accorded to others; you refuse it, and we shall exercise the right of appeal.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) DUNBAR ROWLAND.

Director.

Archives of the Synod of Mississippi of the Southern Presbyterian Church.

It gives me very great pleasure to report that the Synod of Mississippi, at its last session, passed a resolution by which this Department was made the custodian of its valuable archives. These interesting ecclesiastical records have been collected by Rev. John W. Mosley, Jr., of Okalona, the indefatigable Secretary of the Presbyterian Historical Society, and are now on file in the Department.

The Department appreciates very highly this evidence of good will, which has been so generously extended by the Presbyterians of Mississippi, who have always been among the foremost in all good works.

Newspaper Files.

Two hundred old and valuable newspaper files, covering a period of Territorial and State history from 1805 to 1875, have been bound in durable covers during the past year. The newspapers represented in this collection were published before the days of wood pulp and are printed on good rag paper, which insures permanent preservation for centuries. The Department

now has 435 volumes of newspapers which are invaluable historical materials. These volumes are listed below:

Mississippi Messenger, 1805-1808.
 Washington Republican, 1813-1814.
 Natchez Weekly Chronicle, 1808-1810.
 Natchez Areal, 1821-1822.
 Port Gibson Correspondent, 1821.
 Baton Rouge Gazette, 1819-1823.
 Natchez Daily Courier, 1841-1861.
 Advocate and Register (Vicksburg), 1832.
 Albany (N. Y.) Argus, 1837-1841, 1841-1843.
 Attala Register (Kosciusko), April-October, 1843.
 Baltimore Sun, March 1-March 23, 1887.
 Brandon Republican, 1837-1838, 1874, 1875-1876.
 Canton Herald, 1837-1838.
 Central Journal (Kosciusko), 1845-1846.
 Central Register, 1839-1849.
 Chicasaw Banner (Pontotoc), 1837-1838.
 Clinton Cornet, 1840.
 Clinton Gazette, 1835-1837.
 Columbus Democrat, 1836-1841, 1842-1847.
 Columbus Democrat, Whig, 1843-1844.
 Comet (Jackson), 1879-1882.
 Constitution (Atlanta), unbound, 1887, 1888, 1891.
 Constitutionalist, 1844-1845.
 Daily American (Nashville, Tenn.), 1887-1888.
 Daily Graphic, July-December, 1887.
 Daily Graphic (New York), January-June, 1888.
 Daily Pilot (Jackson), August-December, 1875.
 Daily Union, 1847.
 Disseminator (Brandon), 1845.
 Dollar Democrat (Oxford), January, 1841; February, 1846.
 Evening Star (Washington), 1887 (unbound).
 Freeman's Journal, 1840-1841.
 Gainesville Advocate, April-May, 1846.
 Guard, 1842-1846.
 Globe (Washington, D. C.), 1843, 1844, 1845.
 Grand Gulf Advertiser, 1835-1839.
 Grenada Herald, 1842-1843.
 Harry of the West, 1844-1846.
 Hernando Press, 1839, 1866-1872.
 Holly Springs Gazette, 1841, 1844-1845, 1846.
 Independent Democrat, 1842-1844.
 Independent Journal (Jackson), August-October, 1839.
 Jackson Daily Times, January-June, 1875.
 Jeffersonian (Kosciusko), 1838.

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It only remains for me to bring to the attention of the Board the election of a President for a term of two years, the election of three Trustees for a term of six years, as successors to Chancellor R. B. Fulton, Dr. R. W. Jones and Prof. G. H. Brunson, and the election of a Director for a term of six years, beginning March 15, 1908.

Future Duties.

It is a source of very great gratification to the Department that it has been enabled, during the first six years of its work, to put in motion all the activities which were contemplated in the original act of establishment. While it has been a laborious undertaking, the Director has had through it all something more than the pleasure which the performance of duty always carries with it, and that is the unvarying support of the Board of Trustees, the Legislature, and of the public. Such support has been the sustaining influence in all that has been achieved.

It is only necessary for us to beware of resting on our oars. We are now in a position to do better work than ever. The trial period has been successfully passed. It remains for us to bend every energy to meet faithfully the duties of the future.

Most respectfully submitted,

DUNBAR ROWLAND, *Director.*

APPENDIX.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR
FISCAL YEAR, 1907.

Statement of Disbursements for the Department of Archives and History during the fiscal year October 1, 1906, to October 1, 1907, made in compliance with Chapter 32, Acts 1906, as follows:

POSTAGE, FILES, STATIONERY, REBINDING, EXPRESSAGE AND FURNISHINGS, 1906.

<i>Payee.</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Disbursements.</i>	<i>Un- expended Oct. 1, 1907.</i>	<i>Appropriations Oct. 1, 1906.</i>
American Express Co.....	\$ 1 25			
Brunson, G. H.....	1 40			
Cambre Bros.....	233 50			
Capital City Variety Co....	5 75			
Clark, The Arthur H. Co....	2 70			
Eyrich & Co.....	76 65			
Genealogical Association...	4 50			
Fulton, R. B.....	72 40			
Hall & Mosal.....	6 50			
Hedderman Bros.....	4 25			
Jones, R. W.....	11 00			
Lee, Gen. Stephen D.....	12 00			
Lowdermilk & Co.....	2 66			
Myer, S. N.....	38 00			
Riley, F. L.....	14 65			
Rowland, Dr. D.....	27 50			
Stevens, B. F. & Brown....	55 64			
Taylor Carpet & Furniture Co.....	1 50			
White, J. M.....	12 10			
		\$583 95	\$223 02	\$806 97

POSTAGE, FILES, STATIONERY, REBINDING, EXPRESSAGE AND FURNISHINGS FOR 1907.

<i>Payee.</i>	<i>Amount.</i>	<i>Disbursements.</i>	<i>Un-expended Oct. 1, 1907.</i>	<i>Appropriations Oct. 1, 1906.</i>
American Book Co.....	\$ 7 50			
American Express Co.....	20 86			
Burrows Bros. Co.....	6 20			
Clarke, The Arthur Co.....	30 40			
Cooper, W. H.....	46 85			
Davis, A. G.....	12 50			
Eyrich & Co.....	28 95			
Farnham, Noah.....	5 35			
Feibleman Bros.....	2 25			
Glasscock, H. E.....	35 00			
Hall-Mosal Paint Co.....	6 50			
Hardy, L. C.....	22 20			
Harper & Bros.....	7 60			
Hedderman Bros.	1 25			
Hunter & Johnson.....	1 00			
Interstate Publishing Co...	5 00			
Julian, J. S.....	3 00			
Louisiana Glass & Mirror Works.....	72 50			
Lowdermilk & Co.....	59 15			
Marx, A. Picture Co.....	60 00			
Methodist Publishing House	2 17			
Office Supply & Book Co...	8 25			
Pritchard & Logan Co.....	45 60			
Putnam's, G. P. Sons.....	28 00			
Rowland, Dr. D.....	38 80			
Southern Express Co.....	6 45			
Thompson, J. A.....	10 00			
Tucker Printing Co.....	2 75			
		\$576 08	\$423 92	\$1,000 00
Director's salary:				
Dr. Dunbar Rowland, for 1906...	\$600 00			\$600 00
Dr. Dunbar Rowland, for 1907...	1,200 00		\$600 00	1,800 00
Assistant's salary:				
Mrs. E. O. Gregory, for 1906.....	266 70			266 70
Mrs. Dunbar Rowland, for 1907...	553 28		266 72	800 00
Director's traveling expense, 1907...	225 00		75 00	300 00
Cases for preservation of Confederate flags.....	981 00		19 00	1,000 00
Transcripts of Historical Archives relating to Mississippi for 1906	267 75		232 25	500 00
For 1907.....	179 72		320 28	500 00
Oil paintings of deceased Governors, for 1906.....	446 00		54 00	500 00
For 1907.....	342 00		158 00	500 00

Grand totals..... \$6,201 43 \$2,372 19 \$8,573 67

The above appropriations are authorized by Chapter 32, Acts 1906

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